

## **Cal-PCA Update**

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**Q**-We are a large department that deals with a lot of IT Procurement, will you be providing a train the trainer program?

**A**-Yes, at some point we anticipate providing this. There may be a possibility of coming to your work site and providing the training to large groups.

**Q** - Is Procurement going to continue having help from UC Northridge?

**A** - Yes, we have made a good case on how this partnership in the long term will save the State money.

**Q** – Will we mandate departments to have a certificate?

**A** – We encourage departments to take the training but it is not a requirement.

**Q** – Is training going to be offered for staff doing small purchases?

**A** – Yes, we try to do a general hit on all purchasing. The concepts you will learn in basics are still things that will carry over for small purchases.

**Q** – Is there a waiting list for the Certification Program and cost?

**A** – Yes, there is a waiting list and we have added two new tracks. We will be offering more training next fiscal year. DGS is offering these classes as part of our services to you by you utilizing our different agreements. We won't be picking up any travel costs associated with attending the training. Many have been able to get the training approved through essential travel.

**Q** – How long is the waiting list?

**A** – Not sure, maybe about 50 people

**Q** – For online courses what will the requirements be for the computer that trainees will be using?

**A** – You will be able to utilize any PC that has the ability for the requirements for distance learning. Don't know what all the requirements will be. Day 8 of the basic certification course will not be something that is done online because there is a case study that has to be completed in class.